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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMCONSUL LENINGRAD IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE  
INFO USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC, PDIP

SUBJECT: SOVIET EMBASSY PARKING PROBLEM

REF: A. NOV 10, 1977, EUR;SOV MEMCON PONOMAREV-WILLEMS,  
B. MOSCOW 1355

1. SOVIET EMBASSY CONSULAR OFFICER PHONED DEPARTMENT  
JULY 27 TO COMPLAIN THAT ON JULY 26 WASHINGTON POLICE HAD  
TOWED TEN EMBASSY CARS AWAY FROM M STREET. SOVIET EMBOFF  
ALSO COMPLAINED THAT CARS HAD BEEN TAKEN TO A "BLACK  
REGION," I.E., BLACK NEIGHBORHOOD, WHERE IT WAS "DANGEROUS"  
FOR SOVIET PERSONNEL TO RETRIEVE THEM.

2. DEPTOFF SAID DEPARTMENT WOULD QUERY DC POLICE, BUT IF  
CARS WERE ILLEGALLY PARKED, POLICE HAD EVERY RIGHT TO TOW  
THEM AWAY. DEPTOFF CITED DEPARTMENT'S OCTOBER 13, 1977,  
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DIPLOMATIC NOTE ADVISING SOVIET EMBASSY THAT IT SHOULD RENT  
OFF-STREET PARKING.

3. IT OCCURS TO US MFA NOTE QUOTED REF A MAY BE RELATED TO  
SOVIET UNHAPPINESS OVER SOVIET EMBASSY PARKING SITUATION  
HERE. CHRISTOPHER

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